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**AMENDMENT** 

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the office action mailed October 6, 2003. Per the petition and fee submitted herewith, the benefit of 37 CFR 1.136 is invoked to secure a two-month extension of time up to and including March 6, 2004. A check is enclosed in satisfaction of the extension fee and excess claim fee. No further fees are believed due in connection with the filing of this paper. However, if a fee is due, charge the same to deposit account 50-0573. Credit any excess to the same account.

Kindly amend the above-identified patent application without prejudice, as follows. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a)

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